

CLEAN VERSIONS OF THE AMENDMENTS

Please delete Claims 5 and 13 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 1, 11, and 18-21 as follows in re-written "clean" format:

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1. (Five times amended) A plastic pallet comprising:
 - one or more resins selected from the group consisting of:
 - vinyl aromatic graft copolymer resin,
 - polyetherimide resin,
 - polyetherimide resin blends, and
 - thermosetting resins;
 - at least one flame retardant in an amount sufficient to impart a degree of flame retardancy to the pallet to pass UL 2335 protocol for pallets; and
 - at least one impact modifier;
 - wherein the pallet meets or exceeds Underwriters Laboratory UL 2335 protocol for pallets.

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11. (Five times amended) A method for making a plastic pallet comprising:

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molding a composition comprising at least one flame retardant in an amount sufficient to impart a degree of flame retardancy to the pallet to pass UL 2335 protocol for pallets; at least one impact modifier; and one or more other resins selected from the group consisting of:

vinyl aromatic graft copolymer resin,

polyetherimide resin,

polyetherimide resin blends, and

thermosetting resins; and

wherein the pallet meets or exceeds Underwriters Laboratory UL 2335 protocol for

pallets.

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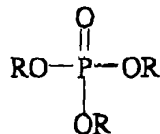
18. (Amended) The plastic pallet of Claim 17, further comprising linear low density polyethylene.

19. (Amended) The plastic pallet of Claim 17, wherein the flame retardant is an organophosphate.

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20. (Amended) The plastic pallet of claim 19, wherein the organophosphate is an aromatic phosphate compound of the formula



where R is the same or different and is alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkyl substituted aryl, halogen substituted aryl, aryl substituted alkyl, halogen, or a combination of any of the foregoing, provided at least one R is aryl.

21. (Amended) The plastic pallet of claim 17, wherein the pallet comprises:
- about 30 to about 70 parts of the polyphenylene ether resin,
 - about 20 to about 60 parts of the high impact polystyrene resin, and
 - about 10 to about 30 parts of the organophosphate, wherein all weights are based on 100 parts by weight of the polyphenylene ether resin, high impact polystyrene resin and organophosphate together.

Please add new claims 32-34 as follows:

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32. (New) The plastic pallet of claim 17, further comprising zinc oxide, zinc sulfide, or combinations of the foregoing.
33. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the composition further comprises zinc oxide, zinc sulfide, or combinations of the foregoing.
34. (New) The plastic pallet of claim 26, wherein the additive is zinc oxide, zinc sulfide, or combinations of the foregoing.